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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate James Casey on the
4 occasion of his retirement as Director of the Oak Lawn Public
5 Library; and

6 WHEREAS, James Casey earned his Ph.D. in librarianship from
7 Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio; and

8 WHEREAS, James Casey began his career at the Oak Lawn
9 Public Library on March 1, 1992; prior to his tenure at the Oak
10 Lawn Public Library, he served as head librarian at the Ohio
11 Historical Society, head reference librarian at Western
12 Reserve Historical Society, an assistant reference librarian
13 at Cleveland Public Library, and Director of the Pickaway
14 County District Public Library in Circleville, Ohio; and

15 WHEREAS, During his tenure at the Oak Lawn Public Library,
16 James Casey has been instrumental in numerous improvements to
17 the library, including the initiation of the Employee Position
18 Reclassification Project, the formulation and implementation
19 of the library's Long Range Plan, several significant
20 construction and revenue-generation projects, the development
21 of the library's Computer Center, Art Gallery, and Local
22 History Unit, the installation and development of the library's

1 network and webpage, and the procurement of grants from DCEO
2 for the Space Planning Project in 2006 and for the Youth
3 Service Department and the Remodeling of the Meeting Room
4 Washrooms in 2010; he also planned and participated in meetings
5 between local state legislators, library administrators, the
6 Community Library Foundation Board and chamber of commerce
7 members and maintained positive relationships with the Library
8 Board, the Friends of the Library, and the Village of Oak Lawn;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, A retirement reception will be held in honor of
11 James Casey and his work on June 15, 2012 from 2 - 4 P.M. at the
12 Oak Lawn Public Library; and

13 WHEREAS, James Casey serves as a model of hard work,
14 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
15 Illinois; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
17 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
18 we congratulate James Casey on the occasion of his retirement
19 and wish him many happy and healthy retirement years; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to James Casey as a symbol of our esteem and respect.